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THE HAMBURG APPLE MARKET

Prices paid for American boxed apples on the Hamburg auction on Thursday, March 22, show a slight decline compared with prices paid two weeks ago, according to quotations cabled the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics by Mr. Edwin Smith, the Department's Fruit Specialist in Europe. The prices suffered a depreciation of from 25 cents to 50 cents per box due to the fact that the fruit was showing from 1 per cent to 10 per cent of decay. The market is showing strength on the small sizes, however, states Mr. Smith.

Prices Paid for American Apples on the Hamburg Auction

Variety and Grade	Origin	Price	
		March 8, 1928	March 22, 1928
		Per box	Per box
Winesaps:			
Extra Fancy, 150/163/175	Washington	$ 3.65 - 3.77	$3.41 - 3.89
Fancy, 150/163/175	"	3.41 - 3.53	a/
Yellow Newtowns:			
Extra Fancy, 150/163/175	Oregon	4.14 - 4.87	3.65 - 4.38
Fancy, 150/163/175	"	3.89 - 4.14	a/

a/ None quoted in cable.

AUSTRALIAN FRUIT NOW ON BRITISH MARKETS

The first arrival of Australian apples on the British market was expected on the steamship "Warkunda" on March 22, according to reports of the British Empire Marketing Board. This shipment totalled about 30,000 boxes. The steamship "Orvieto", to which 20,000 boxes are reported to have been allocated, is also due before the end of March. The first shipment of Australian pears, consisting of 500 half-cases on the steamship "Jervis Bay", was due on March 21. New Zealand's first shipments of the season, totalling 21,700 boxes of apples and 120 boxes of pears, were due to arrive about March 23.

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